## Subject: Re: [railML3] Time Dimension requirements from TT view Posted by on Fri, 17 Feb 2017 12:07:56 GMT

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Dear Gerben.

thank your for your reply.

I understand that you opt for only a small amount of shared time-related structures between <infra> and <timetable> sub-schemes of railML.

This may be the easiest way but I am currently not convinced of it being the best way.

As you wrote, there is a "grey zone" which is not exactly defined. (There may be different opinions about where the responsibility of an infrastructure department ends and where a "timetable" begins.) Also, from my experience, the grey zone becomes larger each year with more and more infrastructure work influencing the timetables (less "stable" infrastructure).

So, I think there should be a common solution. Since <timetable> has naturally more time-related elements than infrastructure, it could be advisable to adopt <timetable> structures for <infrastructure>.

Unfortunately, the appointment of 21th of February (of the year 2017, I presume) comes a little bit too quick for me to join. However, if I can help anyway with experience or structures please don't hesitate to contact me.

With best regards, Dirk Bräuer.

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Am 15.02.2017 um 14:46 schrieb Schut, GD (Gerben):

- > Dear RailML TT community,
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- > First I'd like to introduce myself: I'm Gerben Schut, part of the Infra
- > Structure WG for RailML for about 2 years, Information Architect @
- > ProRail (NL), and have almost 10 years experience with the Dutch
- > Infrastructure software (Infra Atlas), where the time dimension on
- > infrastructure is managed now for about 15 years.
- > I would like to thank you for the answers from Dirk Bräuer. They are
- > really helpful in understanding the needs of the TT community regarding
- > the time dimension and what it means for the infrastructure information.

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- > As you mentioned it is important to understand the different time
- > dimension dynamics: Time Tabling always requires a stable
- > Infrastructure, and changes in Infrastructure will almost always lead to
- > a changed timetable. So a specific time table will be based on one
- stable infrastructure situation.

> Time dimension in Time tabling is not the same as Time dimension in Infrastructure.

- > These different situations require a different model, although off
- > course some base elements could and should be shared (like xml:time).
- > Therefore it is good to get to know each other needs and use cases, so
- > we can be clear about the different parts and about the shared parts.

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- > It will be very interesting to discover the grey zone: There where the
- > Infrastructure is less stable (IE bridge closing times, opening hours of
- > tracks/stations), the Time Table will depend on those variations. At
- least there where the changing times on the Infrastructure are stable
- > (bridge is always open from 7:00 7:15 pm) the interfacing between
- > infrastructure and time table should be defined and information
- > exchangeable, so these should be clearly formatted in the RTM to get
- > them properly into RailML.

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- > We have planned to meet with the Infrastructure time dimension subgroup
- > on 21th of February in Frankfurt. We will try to understand both worlds,
- > and post any remaining questions in this forum topic. Thanks for your
- kind understanding and support! >

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- > Kind Regards,
- Gerben Schut

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